

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-12 (canceled)

Claim 13 (Original): A laser level comprising:

a housing having a first opening;

a pendulum pivotably connected to the housing;

a first laser diode disposed on the pendulum; and

a first line lens for converting a laser beam emitted by the first laser diode into a first planar beam exiting through the first opening;

wherein the housing is movable between a first position where the pendulum is within self-leveling range and a second position where the pendulum is outside the self-leveling range, and the first opening having at least one protrusion where, in the first position, the at least one protrusion does not obstruct the first planar beam and, in the second position, the at least one protrusion partially obstructs the first planar beam.

Claim 14 (Original): The laser level of Claim 13, further comprising a second laser diode disposed on the pendulum, and a second line lens for converting a laser beam emitted by the second laser diode into a second planar beam exiting through a second opening in the housing.

Claim 15 (Original): The laser level of Claim 14, wherein the second opening having at least one protrusion where, in the first position, the at least one protrusion does not obstruct the second planar beam and, in the second position, the at least one protrusion partially obstructs the second planar beam.

Claims 16-24 (canceled).

Claim 25 (new): The laser level of Claim 13, wherein said first opening further comprises two angled sides.

Claim 26 (new): The laser level of Claim 25, wherein said at least one protrusion is disposed on at least one of said two angled sides.

Claim 27 (new): The laser level of Claim 25, wherein said angled sides have an angle of inclination substantially the same as an initial out of range angle between the pendulum and the housing.

Claim 28 (new): The laser level of Claim 13, wherein said first opening further comprises upper and lower sides.

Claim 29 (new): The laser level of Claim 28, wherein said at least one protrusion is disposed on at least one of said upper and lower sides.